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COMMENT OF
THE DAY

NEW A-BOMB TEST IN RUSSIA

Wasted Years?

It is a chastening and disturbing thought that debates and discussions and negotiations on a plan for the European Community have been going on for four years and there is still no end product. In August 1950 the Assembly of the Council of Europe passed the famous resolution calling for the immediate creation of a European army under the authority of a European minister of defence, subject to proper democratic control. It was regarded as a matter of urgency and action was to be "immediate." The unfortunate fact is that the resolution was passed practically without discussion and in a mood of enthusiasm. These four years have been spent in an endeavour to give the idea of a European army and Defence Community a concrete meaning which would be acceptable to all the peoples who were to form the new partnership. With the exception of France where the opposition has been mainly emotional—and emotions are in politics far stronger than reason—that end has been achieved. The French are reluctant to accept the idea that their army with all its traditions and long history would become no more than a memory. No doubt Mr Eden has again come up against this factor in his talks with M. Mendes-France. It is the psychological factors which have thus far prevented the conception of the European Defence Community becoming a reality. It seems hardly possible that France is still holding out for further or more concrete guarantees from the other nations concerned with the E.D.C. project. Yet little else can be read into the joint communiqué issued by Mr Eden and M. Mendes-France. The communiqué was, to say the least, of a nebulous character with France again stressing the urgency of the matter and calling for rapid action. The American Secretary of State, Mr Foster Dulles, wisely kept clear of Paris and did not further complicate a delicate situation. However, he will, today, be fully acquainted with the European talks and may be able to offer a solution to the outstanding problems which, if not settled, may destroy at least two European governments who have based their foreign policies on E.D.C. The full-dress conference later in the month will afford France her last chance to reach an understanding and, what is more important, to be in a position to exercise a certain amount of restraint over a German army.

Moscow Statement Tells Of Recent Explosion TO SOLVE DEFENCE PROBLEMS

Moscow, Sept. 16. An atomic weapon has been exploded in Russia, Tass, the official news agency, reported tonight.

The announcement referred to a "test of one of the types of atomic weapons." Tass said the test was made in "recent days" and yielded "valuable results" in the field of atomic defence.

The official communiqué, published in all newspapers, said: "In accordance with the plan of scientific research work a test of one of the types of atomic weapons had been carried out in the Soviet Union in recent days."

"The object of the test was the study of the actions of an atomic explosion."

"During the test valuable results were obtained which will help Soviet scientists and engineers to solve successfully problems of defence from atomic attack."

The announcement did not say whether the explosion was of a plain atomic or hydrogen type of weapon.

THE SIXTH

London, Sept. 17. Up to today's announcement of an atomic weapon test in Russia five other atomic tests had been reported.

It was on September 23, 1949, that the British, Canadian and United States Governments announced that an atomic explosion had been detected in Russia. This was never confirmed by the Soviet Government.

A second atomic explosion was reported on October 3, 1951, but it was not until a year later that Russia confirmed it.

On October 22, 1951, the White House announced that a third Russian atomic explosion had taken place.

On August 20, 1953, the United States Atomic Energy Commission reported that a "fission" explosion had taken place in Russia on August 12. This took place during a test which also involved a "thermo-nuclear" explosion, and Russia later claimed to have exploded a hydrogen bomb.

50th EXPLOSION

On August 31, 1953, the United States Atomic Energy Commission reported that another "fission" explosion had taken place in Russia on August 23.

Then on September 17, Tass reported that Russia had tested "several new types of atomic bombs in the past few weeks." It did not specify the number of explosions, but they were believed to be the ones referred to in the United States announcement.

Today's Soviet announcement brings the number of known atomic explosions in the world to 30. Forty-one have been exploded by the United States, 6 by Russia and 3 by Great Britain.

The world's first atomic explosion was a United States test at Alamogordo air base, New Mexico, on July 16, 1945, two months after Germany had surrendered.

It was followed on August 6 by one on Hiroshima in Japan and another three days later on Nagasaki—Reuter.

Beauty Queen To Become MP?

Rio de Janeiro, Sept. 16. Brazil's entry in this year's Miss Universe contest was nominated today for the Chamber of Deputies.

Maria Roche, second in the beauty contest, was also nominated to the Chamber of Deputies.

Other first-rate features include the third in the series on analysing handwriting by "Scribbler," a young Hong Kong author who discusses reputation and angular writing and flourishes and what they mean. Tom Lyon, China Mail feature writer, tells you about THE GOLF-OUR WITH A CURE ON IT—the cup made of silver temple silver that has caused so many troubles. Lee Arnold and William Hickey give you the inside story of "think."

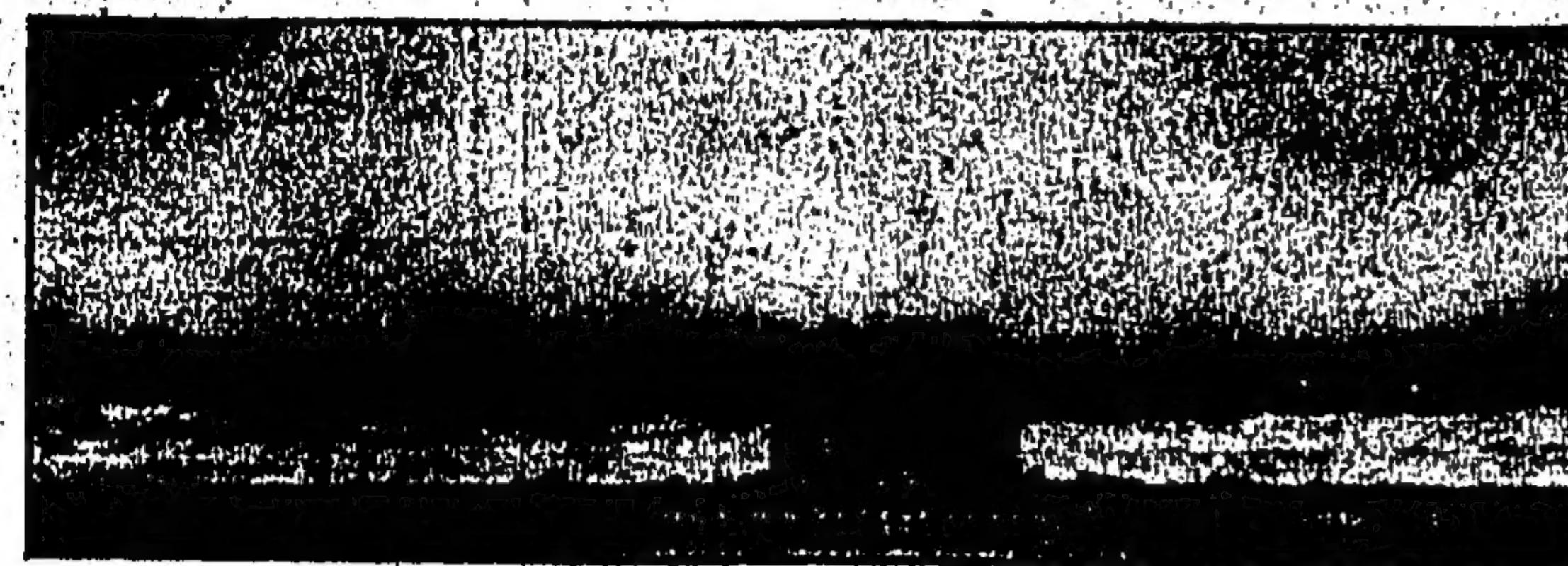
Teddy Boys In Russia, Too!

If you think 'Teddy Boys' are purely an English affliction—you're wrong. They have them in Moscow, too!

In this Saturday's "Mail" Fred Jarvis (he's the President of Britain's National Union of Students) writes his impressions of Russian youth today. In it he tells you about Russia's "Teddy Boys"—the "Slylungs" as they call them.

John Deanne Poiter continues his observations of THE BIG SPENDERS of the French Riviera. This week he spotlights the gamblers—the sheik who lost £50,000 in an hour, the lucky young man who won £15,000 in ten minutes... and the many tales from the tables.

Home Edgar Lustgarten writes number four in HONOUR AT STAKE—his series dramatising famous trials of the past and present. No matter what your interests are—sport, bridge, film, the stars, politics, or the latest "clippings" view on page five—all in your Saturday "Mail." The paper with the most comprehensive coverage with something to interest everyone in the family!



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News From Rome:
The Pope
Taken Ill
Again

Rome, Sept. 16.

Pope Pius XII has suffered an unexpected recurrence of stomach trouble and a Swiss specialist has been at Castelgandolfo for a week treating him. Vatican sources announced tonight.

The source said the frieze which were the forerunner of his serious illness of last winter had returned.

The Vatican sources said there was "positively no cause for alarm."



POPE PIUS XII

Told Spore Customs About Smugglers

\$80,000 Reward For Hongkong's "Quiet Little Man"

Singapore, Sept. 17. A World War II hero, who won the D.F.C. in Europe, was sentenced to three months in gaol when he was convicted on a charge of attempting to bring 302 bars of gold into Singapore from Hongkong.

A Customs Department spokesman said that, as a result of this conviction, a "quiet little man" in Hongkong who tipped off the Singapore Customs on the attempted smuggling would be paid a \$80,000 reward, which represents 20 per cent of the value of the gold bars seized.

The World War II hero, G. C. S. Pearson, who at-

ttempted to bring in the gold bars, was arrested last July. At the time of his arrest, he gave the Singapore police the name of a Hongkong man who promised to pay him \$4,000 for his part in the gold smuggling transaction.

No one turned up, however, to claim the gold during the prescribed period after Pearson's conviction and it was confiscated by the Singapore Government.

Pearson pleaded guilty and elected to serve three months in gaol instead of paying the \$90,000 fine.

As a result of this case on Tuesday the Singapore Legislative Council will be asked to vote another \$65,000 to put the Customs Secret Service back in business again.—United Press and China Mail Special.

London, Sept. 16. Many persons were feared killed today when an eight-storey-block of flats collapsed in Rio's residential area of Santa Teresa, burying the inhabitants in a pile of bricks and concrete.

Six bodies were removed from the debris within an hour, but police officials said it was feared many more were buried. Some women and children were known to have been in the building. Eye-witnesses described cries and screams from trapped people as the building toppled backwards down a 62-yard hill. Residents of neighbouring apartments said the rest of the building, which overlapped the slope, was supported by concrete stilts, two of which cracked during the morning.

The police said later that the death toll had risen to seven and four children were among the 10 injured. It was possible that 20 people were still underneath the rubble, they added.

Rescue workers were digging into the rubble to see if there were any more victims. Among the injured was an Air Force Private, who was helping his company commander to remove furniture.—Reuters.

Other headlines were: News Chronicle (Liberal)—"Dulles hushes on Germany and dismisses Mr. France"; Daily Express (Independent—Conservative)—"Dulles leaves our Mr. France Daily Herald (Labour)—"Visit could wreck the EEC plan"; But Washington said again; "no armistice was intended."

A State Department spokesman added that Mr. Dulles had explained in a message to French Premier Pierre Mendès-France in the most cordial terms possible why he was obliged to impose limitations to curtail his visit to Bonn and Paris.—China Mail Special and France Presse.

Hongkong Car Crash

Sort Out This Tangle!

A triple accident occurred early this morning when the driver of a small British-made car swerved to avoid a suddenly appearing hole in the ground outside house No. 511 The Peak.

Another car following the first, swerved to avoid it—missing the rear fender by inches—and was hit by a third car which was unable to brake in time and crashed into the second.

As a result, the second car cut through the trees, hitting a wall which was built to avoid a similar accident.

Both drivers were slightly injured and the car which had swerved to avoid the hole was completely demolished.

US Planes May Have Saved Dien Bien Phu

Paris, Sept. 16. Brigadier General Christian de Castries said today only "massive" United States air intervention could have saved the Indo-Chinese fortress of Dien Bien Phu.

De Castries told his first Press conference since his liberation by the Communists on September 1.

He said the French Air Force was unable to cope with the strong Communist artillery that helped four divisions of Regulars swamp the bastion after the heroic 56-day siege he commanded.

"Only massive intervention of American Air Force planes could have changed the fate of the battle," De Castries said. "And even so, not at the very end."—United Press.

News From London:

HK Student Sent For Trial

London, Sept. 16. A Hongkong law student, 26-year-old Jack Sing Ip, was sent to trial here today charged with unlawfully procuring a young Egyptian student here by falsely pretending they had been married.

Ip, who pleaded not guilty and reserved his defence, was alleged by the prosecution to have taken advantage of the fact that the girl, Zahra Ahmed el Shamma, was ignorant of British customs to persuade her that a visit to a London Registry Office constituted an actual marriage.

He was allowed bail in £100 until his trial at the Old Bailey, London's Central Criminal Court.

At a previous hearing the prosecution said that Ip met the 23-year-old girl aboard a ship while they were both coming to England to study last March.

The man proposed marriage a fortnight later, became a Moslem by declaration and gave notice at the Kensington London Registry Office of his intended marriage on April 5.

The prosecution added that three days before that date Ip took the girl there after telling her they were then going to get married. Actually at the office he simply cancelled the intended marriage for April 5, saying that he wanted a religious ceremony at the same time.

When they left he assured the girl they were now married and they bought two wedding rings, the prosecution further alleged. They went on a honeymoon.—Reuters.

Eight Killed In Plane Crash

Algiers, Sept. 16. Eight charred bodies were recovered tonight from the wreckage of a French Air Force plane which crashed and caught fire today near Mouzaïaville in the mountains southwest of Algiers.—Reuters.

SUNDAY EXPRESS

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W. GERMAN SOVEREIGNTY

AN INNOCENT ABROAD

London, Sept. 16. A Moscow "learner" who failed his police test was told by the head of his driving school, "Don't be an innocent abroad." So he paid 300 roubles (about £20 sterling) and got his license after all—without a lesson.

But then he complained to the authorities, according to Trud, the Soviet Trade Union newspaper, in its latest issue.

Result: the head of the driving school, L. V. Chelnikov, has gone to prison for 18 months, and a police inspector, A. G. Filin, for 12 months.

Trud said the learner had discovered that all tests were "arranged." Chelnikov keeping 200 roubles for himself and paying 100 roubles to Filin.—China Mail Special.

Dulles Expected To Take Decisive Steps

SURPRISE MOVE NOW POSSIBLE

Bonn, Sept. 16. United States Secretary of State John Foster Dulles conferred with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer for nearly three hours here today.

This was the first conversation between the two statesmen in Mr Dulles' current trip to Bonn. He is to go to London to confer with British Premier Sir Winston Churchill tomorrow.

This evening, Mr Dulles and US High Commissioner in Germany, Dr James B. Conant, were dinner guests of Dr Adenauer.

The immediate interpretation in Bonn of the fast moves by Mr Dulles who flew overnight from Washington is that the United States is speeding up its programme to make West Germany master of her own house as soon as possible.

On his arrival, Mr Dulles said he would consult the Governments of those countries "who are genuinely concerned with the peace, security and freedom of Europe," before taking final decisions.

But the whole manner of his surprise visit and the nature of

Dalai Lama Attends Red Congress

London, Sept. 16. The Dalai Lama put the final stamp today on his Tibetan Kingdom's submission to Red Chinese rule when he appeared before the "National People's Congress" in Peking and lauded his Communist conquerors.

Peking Radio said the young Dalai Lama expressed the "warm support of Tibetans for the new Chinese Communist constitution to be adopted by the rubber-stamped Congress.

The Communist broadcast quoted the boy ruler as saying, "The close unity between the Chinese and Tibetan peoples is growing day by day."

NO RELIGIOUS BAN

But in a departure from the current Soviet line of trying to eliminate religion, the Dalai Lama duly denied that Red Russia would try to eliminate religion in his devoutly religious country.

"These enemy slanders have all fallen on stony ground," he was quoted as saying, "for the Tibetan people enjoy full freedom of religion and they know this from their own experience."

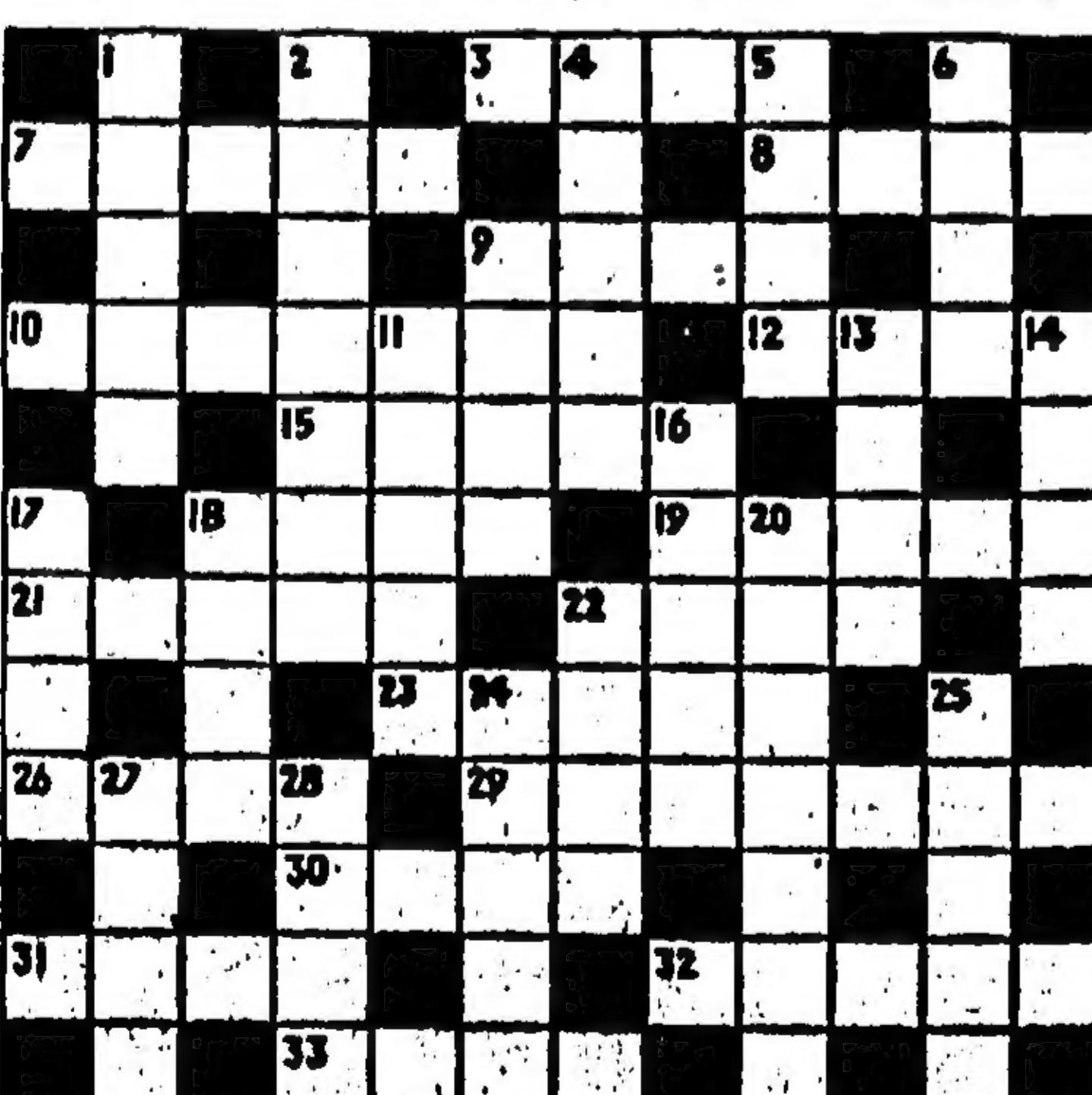
—United Press.

Hollywood, Sept. 16. The singing star Judy Garland disclosed today that she is after her third child next April.

The singer made her announcement after she and her producer Sid Luft, from a European vacation.

Mrs. Garland has two daughters, one by Luft and the other by a previous marriage to director Vincente Minelli. Luft has a son by a previous marriage.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Sharp (6).
- 7 Gradient (6).
- 8 Patched (6).
- 9 Sculptor's work (4).
- 10 Go (7).
- 12 Requests (4).
- 13 Present (5).
- 14 Periods (5).
- 15 Fettens (5).
- 21 Talks wildly (5).
- 22 Leg joint (4).
- 23 Choose (5).
- 24 Bell game (4).
- 25 Describes a barometer (7).
- 26 Way out (4).
- 27 Insert (4).
- 28 Swift (3).
- 29 Lubricants (4).
- 30 Exploit (4).

DOWN

- 1 Scare (5).
- 2 Gourmet (7).
- 3 Rough (6).
- 4 Facts given (4).
- 5 Hazard (4).
- 6 Entrants (4).
- 7 Wipe out (6).
- 8 Fruit (4).
- 9 Circle (4).
- 10 Subsequently (6).
- 11 Withdraw (7).
- 12 English county (4).
- 13 Landowner (5).
- 14 Government (5).
- 15 Trooper Contract For Airwork
- 16 The Air Ministry has awarded its Far East trooping contract for the next 24 years to Airwork, an independent British airline. The contract provides for the carriage of 7,000 troops a year in each direction between Britain and Singapore.
- 17 The company will use Hornbeam aircraft which have 38 backward seats and are pressurized for high altitude flying. The present British Airways' journey will take three days.
- 18 Vietnamese (4).
- 19 Withdraw (7).
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YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Banner, 7 Pair, 8 Mint, 10 Dubby, 11 List, 12 Restricted, 15 Near, 16 Motor, 19 Readiness, 23 Soda, 24 Metric, 25 Cache, 26 Sore, 27 Target, Down: 2 Ample, 3 Tutor, 4 Reduce, 5 Opulence, 6 Miss, 8 Abide, 13 Terse, 15 Romps, 16 Threaten, 17 Order, 18 Diver, 19 Impose, 21 Nicely, 22 Order.

Ex-prisoners Visit U.N. Headquarters

United Nations, Sept. 16.

Five Chinese who surrendered to the United Nations forces in Korea and turned against Communism gave their personal thanks to the UN Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld, today for their treatment as prisoners of war.

The five, who have been touring the United States for the past month, were introduced to the Secretary-General by Dr Ting-fu Tsang, Nationalist China's chief UN delegate.

Chang Tsun-hien, leader of the five, spoke to the Secretary-General on behalf of 14,000 Chinese prisoners of war who chose not to return to Red China.

The rest of the five are Chao King-chung, Kao Cheng-chung, Ku An-kang and Chien Yu-chi.

They presented a "Freedom Badge" to Mr Hammarskjöld, it was designed by the "Chinese anti-Communist Returns from Korea" to commemorate the day that the anti-Communist prisoners of war were released.

Mr Hammarskjöld, in response, thanked the members of the Chinese goodwill mission, saying the United Nations was against aggression in any form.

He said he could not fully accept their thanks for the UN principle of voluntary repatriation of prisoners because he was not Secretary-General at the time it was formulated.

He added, however, that he heartily agreed with the principle.

PERSONAL STORY

The five Chinese also gave a 45-minute press conference for UN correspondents at which each of the five told his personal story through an interpreter.

They said they were forced by the Communists to fight in Korea and that they were told the Chinese Nationalists had three divisions fighting on the South Korean side.

They said they had never seen any Russians with the Red Chinese forces but they always had believed that the Russians sent them to fight in Korea.

The five Chinese have been spending each day making visits to various UN delegations at their local headquarters.—United Press.

Sir Ester Denning in New York

New York, Sept. 16. Sir Ester Denning, British Ambassador to Japan, arrived here today by plane from Tokyo en route back to his post in Tokyo after consultations at the British Foreign Office.

He will leave tomorrow for Washington for a three-day visit during which he said he would "exchange views with the United States State Department officials who are concerned with Far Eastern affairs."

Sir Ester said that he will return to New York on Monday and leave next Tuesday by plane for Ottawa for conversations at the Canadian Foreign Office.

At present, only 15 Russians are staying at the former embassy here, their moves since the Rastovoroff affair, are subject to strict police surveillance and they can practically do nothing outside the embassy premises.—France-Presse.

Vietnam Premier Loses All Hope

Well-informed political observers expressed the belief here today that South Vietnam Premier Ngo Dinh Diem had lost all hopes of remaining in power as a result of the announcement today that the three leading South Vietnam sects were siding with the Army in the present dispute between the Premier and Army Chief of Staff General Nguyen Van Hinh.

One of the sects, the Binh

Ky, was pointed out, was

in the direct control of the South

Vietnam police since one of its

leading members, Lt. Gen. Saigon,

was a national security chief.

Premier Diem, who officially

had ordered the General to leave

on a six-month study mission in France, in reality had issued a deportation order against the

young chief of staff whom

he wanted to get rid of or to be able to dominate

the army with his own supporters,

and to reinforce his prominent

personality and leadership.

However, the Premier and

General Denning, who

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You strain to see through the clouds. Suddenly there is a roar and a sparkling white triangle flashes by. You see now why people talk about "flying saucers." If this didn't come from another planet, nothing does.

But it must come from a friendly planet where the sense of beauty is well-developed. This flashing machine has the sort of form Plato dreamed about when he talked of eternity.

It defuses only momentarily; then you hear nothing. Four jets sigh gently and it touches earth with a smiling flourish:

A man behind you grunts: "Avro Vulcan. Atom bomber. Touches speed of sound. Carries . . . Why, if that'd been on business none of us would have known what happened."

You are genuinely sorry. But your attention is distracted. Overhead is a Hawker Hunter — spinning through the clouds, wing over wing, like a corkscrew gone crazy. It spirals up and thunders down, then levels out and flashes past, slim and black, and you see only a shadow on a distant cloud like some ghost playing hide and seek.

You are glad this is only a show. Suppose he were in earnest and you were in another tiny craft? What chance would you stand even if you travel at that speed? While you spent a tenth of a second thinking he could spend a tenth of a second shooting—and that would be that.

Just Sits There

You wonder, for that matter, how the man in the great white Vulcan finds his way through the cloud and the rain, idling along at a gentle 600 miles an hour, likely to be nearer Glasgow than London before he knows what's happened.

Then you learn—

Over the microphone the man with the cultivated voice confides: "This is the first air show ever operated entirely on radar . . ."

You investigate. There is a man from Fairey Aviation nearby. He points a laconic finger at a tiny plane with black triangular wings standing beside the runway.

"See that," he says. "No pilot. Does anything you want. Called the Firefly 8. Has a pilot in it today, just for testing. He just sits there, though . . ."

That is a suggestive line.

In point of fact, you discover, nearly everything on the field is almost capable of finding its own way about. Has to be.

The vast panels of instruments do all the checking and sorting. Automatic stabilisers hold

even courses when necessary.

Toss the plane into a spin and it will probably right itself if something goes wrong with the pilot.

Get into a real jam and you'll likely find yourself somersaulting through space, automatically ejected from the pilot's seat.

In fact, Farnborough has an odd story to tell this year:

Men are mere playthings to these craft. One day, all of them will be quite able to fly themselves and many of them will

New York from London in five hours for less than \$100. No wild pipe dream. It's something on the drawing boards right now.

The day when crossing the world will be like crossing the street is no very distant day.

And that same day these beautiful craft will be as familiar as dreary old gas buses to-day.

The aircraft still holds a great future for mankind—if we don't wipe ourselves out with it first.

WITH LADY LITTLEHAMPTON
IN THE MIDDLE EAST 2

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER



war. The civil war could be renewed later . . . as indeed it was.

By 1946, at a time when the Americans were insisting that Chiang Kai-shek should co-operate with the Communists, Mao Tse-tung was being armed with the teeth from Japanese arms dumps in Manchuria given to him by the Russians. These were not episodes "invented" during anti-Communist hysterical. They were the origins of the Cold War as we know it today.

The Cold War is, in fact, dominated by these diverse activities of the Russian Communists and the counter-steps taken by the free world. Countering the Soviet Communist Party is a complicated business. It is not, as it would like us to believe, the servant of some omnipotent, inevitable "historic process." That is just mystical nonsense.

Two Levels

THE difficulties arise in other ways. The Soviet Communist Party operates, as has been said, on two levels simultaneously. The Soviet State can be used in open diplomacy; in other directions, the international Communist movement can be deployed. The strategic aim is the same for State and movement.

This was clear under Stalin and has never been denied by Malenkov. But, by oscillating on these two levels, and by a steady use of doubletalk, fear and hopes can be fostered or manipulated. The Soviet State can, for tactical reasons, go slow (or pretend to do so) at the official level, although it may shift its emphasis for local purposes. At another level, however, the party or the Soviet Army can pursue a more direct line.

Something of this may be seen from recent history. In World War II, Stalin seemed willing to stay out of Greece during the Communist rebellion in 1944. Yet at the same time he was plotting the subversion of Poland, and his agents in France and Italy were consolidating their hold in the resistance movements. If he could have done so, he would have intervened in France and Italy as well.

Mao Tse-tung

HE admitted this in his bitter exchanges with Tito. "The Soviet Army created the conditions for the Yugoslav Party to achieve power. Unfortunately the Soviet Army did not and could not render such assistance to the French and Italian Communist parties." (Letter of May 8, 1948). So much for the Soviet Communists' Party's respect for national sovereignty and independence!

Again, in the Far East Stalin oscillated from time to time in his support for Mao Tse-tung. When, for example, he saved the Chinese Communists against the Kuomintang, he did not want the Chinese Communists to become the official government. Instead, he wanted to keep the Kuomintang in power.

THE Communists really have no new techniques to offer the colonial peoples — only the old device of political tyranny.

Clearly, then, "peace," in the sense of a world untroubled by the ambitions of the Soviet Communist Party, can be achieved only if the Party either renounces its ambitions or ceases to exist. Although since Stalin's death Soviet diplomacy has been a little more suave, the world Communist movement has, if anything, intensified its efforts. The missionary zeal remains.

But "peace" in a more limited sense—that is, the avoidance of a major war—can and must be won. This can be done if the West watches its military defenses and makes clear to the Russian Communists the limits beyond which they shall not pass.

It must counter the intrigues of world Communism by removing the social grievances upon which Communism feeds but to which it can offer no genuine solution. It must defend and strengthen free institutions.

Much progress on the lines has in fact been made and the danger of a "hot" war reduced. So, however, inconvenient it may be, the Cold War is the least of the evils when, in the meantime, we have been able to maintain a viable and perhaps even a strong economy.

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LRC TOURNAMENT

COLONY MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP REACHES SEMI-FINAL STAGE

'Jup. Pluv.', who, last week, came in for a certain amount of criticism for the hostile attitude which he seemed to be adopting towards the LRC's annual tournament, really looked as though he was trying to be helpful last evening.

He not only allowed all the events to finish, including several handicap events, he let all players get to the clubhouse and then sent a good sharp shower which relieved the groundsmen of the need to sprinkle the courts and his faithful prophets at the Royal Observatory seem to think that today again he will be in a gracious mood.

The Colony Mixed Doubles Championship advanced to the semi-finals stage, once again there being no real surprises although it had been thought by some that Choy Tin-kin and Miss G. Lo would have offered somewhat stiffer resistance to Lee Ben-sing and Miss U. Kho.

In this game, down on Court 8, there was a bit of a battle for the first four games and then Lee and Miss Kho got the upper hand and lost no more and the lasting impression is that the winners are a well-knit team, both better at the doubles than at the singles game.

In the semi-finals they will really have to produce something out of the bag if they are going to progress any further as they are in the lower half of the draw and meet the Ips who, out on Court 5, contested home against F. de M. Ribeiro and Mrs. M. Rambach.

They showed once again that they are a very good mixed couple even if, when they come

under any pressure, Ip is a bit inclined to take too much of the game on his own shoulders.

So far as Hongkong is concerned he is so far ahead of the majority of players that he can do this with comfort, but it might lead him into trouble against a mixed couple where the lady is strong enough to turn their style of play into something nearer the men's doubles game.

Edwin Tsai and Mrs Chow lost two more games than did the Ips, but Dr. S. N. To and Mrs. Choy are quite a strong combination and not too much weight should be given to the mathematics of the thing. A pair of left-handers is always an awkward proposition and when one of them is as good as Tsai they are in the lower half of the draw and meet the Ips who, out on Court 5, contested home against F. de M. Ribeiro and Mrs. M. Rambach.

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For the last two games, Mrs. Eyles and Mrs. A. Philip who, although they have only had two games together to date, have worked out a very good understanding and they play a mixed game where the responsibilities are much more evenly divided than is usually seen on Hongkong courts.

Their opponents, I. T. Lee and Mrs. P. Eyles, have, however, not admitted nowhere near as strong as the Tsai-Chow partnership, but they put up a good fight.

Mrs. Eyles, when she has time, likes to take the ball low and late and, while doing this early in the game she brought off some lovely passing shots against Heenan and, confirming afterwards, as if he hadn't got a clue as to down which side of him the ball would come.

A short consultation and note being taken that, if Mrs. Eyles tried to move a bit further she could not pull off these winners and the game was over. Mrs. Philip quickly ensured that her opposite number had to do some running and Heenan was once more in command.

On balance it is thought that the most interesting tie in the whole tournament will be this top half semi-final which is due to take place on Tuesday, September 22.

Teal and Mrs. Chow must start on the favourites but there could be an upset as Heenan and Miss Philip are very experienced players and will certainly not be one whit abashed by their opponents' reputation. The imp has, therefore, got his fingers firmly crossed.

The extra courts making it possible to play off tests per evening are certainly helping to make this tournament go with a swing and last evening the various LRC handicap events began to get into their proper swing. Umpires were seen walking to the courts with worried frowns on their faces and muttering to themselves "one in on games two, four and six, one thirty on games one, three and five, receive fifteen on games two, four and six; where's my slide rule?"

In due course they got back to the Clubhouse, mostly declaring that the thing was not

England Leads In European Bridge Tourney

Montreux, Sept. 10.—Britain maintained her lead after the ninth round in the 15-nation European Bridge Championships here today. The British team had 15 points from eight matches while the French team, in second place, had 14 points from nine matches.

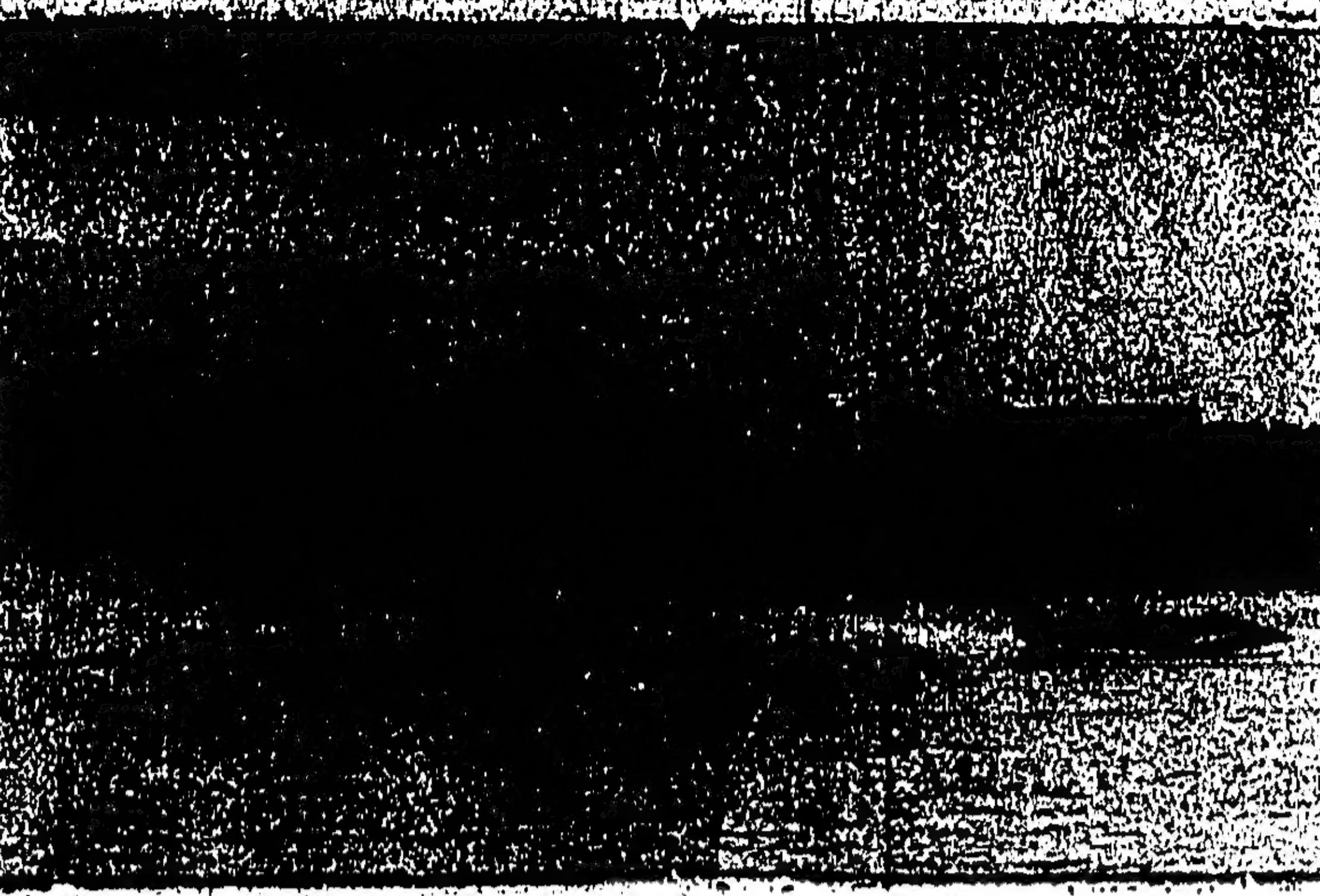
Other leading teams in the general classification were Austria, 12 points (eight matches); Sweden, 10 points (nine matches); Italy, nine points (eight matches); Switzerland, eight points (nine matches); and Belgium, seven points (eight matches).

Results of two ninth round matches not announced when play ended early this morning were Norway, best Italy, 62 to 42; and Germany, and Austria.

The contract for this contest was signed in London this morning.

The match will take place October 19. Tulli, member of Jim Wright's France team,

ATTEMPT ON WORLD RECORD



Mario Verga, Italy's speedboat King, just failed to set up a new world speed record for "No limit" motor boats, owing to engine trouble in his specially constructed Alfa Romeo speed boat which is powered with two 1,500 c.c.m. engines. Mario Verga's speedboat is seen here during the unsuccessful attempt on the Iseo Lake, Northern Italy.—Express Photo.

Scottish Golfers Will Have A Chance To Play The Open Champion

By JAMES ANDERSON

Peter Thomson, the young Australian golfer who won the Open Championship in July, is flying back to Britain to play a special match over Killermont course, Glasgow, on October 3—and amateur golfers throughout Scotland and the rest of Britain will be able to play a challenge round against him at the same time.

Thomson's opponents in this "Match of the Century" will be three times Open Champion Bobby Locke (South Africa). They will play one round of 18 holes. But it will be the Australian's score which will count because during that week-end, October 2 and 3, amateur golfers can take out a half-crown card and try to beat him on handicap.

Thomson, who will play off plus two, will award a signed certificate to any club player who beats the scratch score of his or her home course by more than he beats the scratch score of Killermont. Club golfers, incidentally, may play as many rounds as they wish—so long as they buy a special card for each entry.

Object of the event is to raise funds for the Golf Foundation, a non-profit making organisation which provides free tuition for boy and girl golfers in every walk of life. The event is sponsored by the Daily Mail.

Willie Armstrong (Port-Glasgow), Scottish Middleweight (1st 6lb.) Champion is likely to meet Tiberio Mitrì (Italy), European Champion, in a ten-round non-title contest in Rome next month.

Armstrong's manager, Tommy Gilmour, tells me he has opened negotiations for the bout.

It will be a great opportunity for the 24-year-old sandy-haired Scot, and certainly the biggest test of his career to date.

Mitrì has recently scored a hat trick of victories in Rome over three of England's leading middleweights—Randolph Turpin, Gordon Hazell, and Jim Allen.

Fighters have protested they had defencemen Hall and Poponka registered with the Scottish and British Ice Hockey Association nine days before Ayr did so.

Under a "gentlemen's agreement" players who are negotiating with one club are left alone by all others.

Fighters say Ayr disregarded this and signed Hall and Poponka on contract after arrangements had been made for them to go to Kirkcaldy.

Fighters had not signed contracts with the fighters and for this reason the Ayr signings have been upheld by the SHIA.

But the Kirkcaldy club says most players do not sign contracts until they arrive in this country and there is now nothing to prevent another club from meeting players coming off the boat offering them tempting wages and signing them on contract.

—London Express Service

Australian Test Selectors Appointed

Sydney, Sept. 16.—Australia's Board of Cricket Control today announced that Sir Donald Bradman, South Australia, J. S. Ryder, Victoria, and D. Seddon, New South Wales, would be the Test team selectors for the coming season.

Sir Donald Bradman had served on the Committee previously but did not stand for re-election in 1952 when the main task was to choose the team for touring England in 1953, owing to the illness of his son.

At the same time, A. E. Dryer, a selector for about 20 years, was not elected and so New South Wales lost representation which they have regained by the nomination of Beddon.

W. A. Brown and Phil Ridings joined Ryder as selectors after the 1952 meeting, but, now, Sir Donald Bradman and Seddon have been elected to serve with Ryder, an experienced member of the Committee.—Reuter.

Total 109
Fall of wickets—1-25, 2-32, 3-35,
4-33, 5-46, 6-50, 7-57, 8-57, 9-68.

Bowling Analysis O M R W

Kelly, r. b. Moore 4 1 11 15
Brisbane 5 1 21 15
Russell 5 1 21 15
Beddon 3 1 12 15
Crane 1 1 4 15

RAAF "Iwakuni" XI
Crane, run out 15
Cronin, r. b. Stappard 15
Beddon, r. b. West 15
Ridings, r. b. West 15
Dryer, r. b. West 15
Harrison, r. b. Stappard 15
Moore, not out 15
Beddon, r. b. Stappard 15
Extras 15

Total 109
Fall of wickets—1-34, 2-24, 3-22,
4-34, 5-54, 6-54, 7-65, 8-62, 9-67.

Bowling Analysis O M R W

Kelkes 6 1 15 15
Harrison 6 1 15 15
Stappard 6 1 15 15
West 6 1 15 15

RETURN MATCH

The following have been selected to represent the Royal Air Force in their return cricket match against the Royal Australian Air Force "Iwakuni" on Saturday: the match commences at 1 p.m. at the 1st Lt. L. J. Bennett (Capt.) vs. W/Cdr. D. C. G. (Lieutenant) Leslie, F/O (O/C) Les D. (O/C) Stappard, F/O (O/C) G. (O/C) Moore, and W/Cdr. (O/C) H. (O/C) Moore.

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SPORTS SURVEY

He Can Hold Seven Cricket Balls In One Hand

By "ALL-ROUNDER"

If you think Alec Bedser's hands are big you should see those of a young miner named Joe Drauillo, who plays cricket for Hollinwood in Lancashire. He can hold seven cricket balls in one hand, so you can imagine what he can do to one of them in his role as fast bowler. Took eight wickets for six runs the other day in good class cricket.

CATCHING 'EM YOUNG. Wolverhampton Wanderers, Football League Champions, have the finest scouting and coaching system in the country. It was initiated in the days of Major Frank Buckley, and has been carried on by Manager Stan Cullis. Of the 35 professionals on the Wolves' staff 25 began with the club as juniors and only five of the other ten cost money in transfer fees. Bert Williams and Johnny Hancock, who both became internationals, were bought from Walsall, the same man Ronnie Stocklin. Peter Broad-

bent, who has since played for his country, came from Brentford and Tommy McDonald from Hibs. And that is all that went to make the most successful club in the country!

HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB. Most golfers dream of performing the hole-in-one feat, although it costs money in the clubhouse afterwards. But Henry Lisle, of Harborne Church Farm Club (Birmingham) took up the game only a year ago, and he has done the 147 yards long fifth hole on two occasions!

FOOTBALL LEAGUE'S NEW RULE. There will be one alteration in the Football League's rules this coming season. A directive has been sent out to referees that during the months of November, December, January and February, while the light is bad a ball of any colour (leather, orange or white) can be used—but it must be played with during the entire 90 minutes, unless it becomes defective, and then a ball of the same colour must be substituted. One supposes that the Football Association will fall in line for its Cup ties, although no statement to this effect has been issued.

CELEBRATING DEMOBILISATION. Ray Wood, young Manchester United and England "B" team goalkeeper, certainly celebrated his approaching demobilisation from the RAF in the grand manner. At his Stamford unit he won the 100 and 220 yards championship events, the 120 yards hurdles, the shot putt, the javelin throw, and created a new unit long jump record at 22 ft. 6 ins. Two days later he was a "civvy". Yet he missed the World Cup series and has been laid aside most of the summer with a back injury sustained at Bristol last season.

ARMY SMALL BORE COMPETITION. With only three matches to go, Comd Wksp and 7 RTR are about equal in their scoring rate and considerable speculation is going on at the moment as to who will make the highest score in the final clash of these two teams in the Army Small Bore competition.

Comd Wksp hold the lead but even a draw with 7 RTR will bring them down to second place and give first place to HKCTU.

HKCTU should easily win their next three matches on current form. This week they were the only team to break the 580 mark.

Comd Wksp REME "B" Team who have earned the name of Giant Killers scored 576 (equaled A Team score) and are due to fire against 7 RTR next week.

Lt Hancock & COD RAOC was the only competitor to score a possible this week. This is his first possible in this competition and he is the ninth competitor to score possible.

RESULTS

The following are the results:

Comd Wksp v Pay Office "A" 562 (Pay Office held Blackmore 93, Tyde-man 93, Brunton 90, Crownhill 89, v 23 Fd Regt RA 80, Cox 90, Bell 96, Carter 93, Henry 4, Reeves 94, Magrath 90).

20 Fd Regt RA "A" 568 (Lees 94, Turner 90, Kershaw 90, Treadwell 90, 23 Fd Regt RA 80, Cox 90, Bell 96, Carter 93, Henry 4, Reeves 94, Magrath 90).

RA "B" 562 (Taylor 90, Stevens 91) v 23 Fd Regt RA "B" 64 (Taylor 94, Preston 91, Hartley 92, Thoroughgood 91, Mason 90, Garside 97).

HKCTU 561 (Morgan 90, Lees 93, Stephens 90, Li-Choi 97, Treadwell 90, 23 Fd Regt RA 80, Cox 90, Bell 96, Carter 93, Henry 4, Reeves 94, Magrath 90).

AA Wksp REME "B" 576 (McGill 90, Taylor 90, Winton 94, Stubbs 93, Nairn 92, Cass 91) v 9 HEC 0 (No Targets Received).

AA Wksp REME "A" 576 (Butters 90, Bryan 97, Blunt 90, Burton 93, Green 90, Reed 93) v 1 Kings 94 (Morris 90, Morley 90, Royden 90, Jenkins 92, Higby 92, Robins 93).

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1st Dordet 90 (Egert 90, S. T. T. 90, Short 91) v Norfolk "B" 0 (With-drawn).

Stanley Grn "A" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "B" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "C" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "D" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "E" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "F" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "G" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

Stanley Grn "H" 0 (No Target Received) v CO 90 (Fitzgerald 90, Wetherby 91, Williams 91, Hardling 92, Stimp 92, Lewis 90).

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No Freedom In British Welfare State'

London, Sept. 16.
The British welfare state has brought the mass of the people

everything except freedom, a church conference was told here.

Canon M. T. Dunlop, Director of Religious Education in Manchester, submitted a paper which was read for him to the modern churchmen's union conference here. He is at present out of the country.

"The makers of our welfare state, by the giving of their fortunes and lives, have secured everything for the masses except freedom," he said.

benevolence and condescension that a dangerous number of them have come to regard ever better pay and conditions as a self-evident right."

Canon Dunlop said: "Self pity is an occupational disease of the miners and dockers, and is now infecting the railwaymen. Few of them stop to ask whether in a planned economy with full employment the function of the trade union has not changed, so that, like a mediaeval guild, it should be as concerned with standards and efficiency as with pay and conditions."

Canon Dunlop said: "Most surely the foundation of government by consent has been washed away with the erosion of the independence of the individual to consent or to refuse."

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CHINESE FOR CZECHS

London, Sept. 10.

The Charles University in Prague is to teach the Chinese language for the first time since it was established in 1348, the Czech news agency Ceska reported. At the same time, a chair for the Czech language had been introduced at Peking University.—China Mail Special.

It is not known how he got the idea but it was perhaps suggested by a traveller from Java, where puppets have been used since the earliest times.

In the days of the Burmese kings, a man and a woman would never act together in public unless they were man and wife. Public displays of endeavour were quite unknown and, indeed, unthinkable.

This reticence still prevails in parts of Burma today. Recently, a meeting in Rangoon

Burmans Striving To Revive Marionette Art

Rangoon, Sept. 16.
A group of cultured Burmans is making great efforts to revive the art of the old marionette show in its pure and traditional form.

There are only a very few shows left in Burma due, many people here declare, to the lack of interest during the British Occupation.

In the days of the Burmese kingdom, the performers enjoyed the exclusive patronage of the rulers and it is hoped that the Burmese Government may be persuaded to give their patronage to restore part of Burma's national and cultural heritage.

Even those shows which can still occasionally be seen at pagoda festivals or private parties are criticized by the purists who say that the producers are pandering to modern tastes when they should be preserving the traditional forms.

NO LOVE SCENES

In the 17th and 18th centuries even stage plays laboured under this restriction and there were, therefore, no love scenes.

The puppets were thus first used to bypass this difficulty without offending anyone. No one could take exception to wooden puppets beautifully dressed, whatever the capture, and morality was not violated by their love scenes.

From the start, the greatest skill has gone into the construction and dressing of these figures so that they will appear as lifelike as possible.

The puppets, when completed, are to Western eyes the best and easily the most beautiful examples of indigenous Burmese art.

A special trick puppet will sometimes have as many as 60 strings attached, and this is especially necessary for those which are made to do Burmese dancing which seemingly requires of the use of every joint and muscle in the body. Some puppets even have separate strings for each eyebrow.

The craft of making these puppets is handed down in families and the same men show uncanny skill in operating the dolls while at the same time remembering long passages of difficult dialogue.

In the traditional form, there are 28 figures and, though they have been added to in recent years, these still form the basis for all puppet shows.

The figures include a king, princesses, ministers of state, necromancers and astrologers, jesters, nats (spirits), ogres, tigers, elephants, horses and always a throng of chattering monkeys.

Unlike other marionette shows, which are usually regarded as light entertainment, the Burmese look on their performances as classical art, presenting full-length serious drama.

KNOWLEDGE NEEDED

The shows last all night and are divided into two parts. The first serves in much the same way as the cartoons and short films which precede the main feature in a cinema. It is provided to amuse the young and to attract an audience by giving some idea of what will happen in the second half—the classical drama.

The audience if it is to understand fully the play must have some knowledge of the techniques and customs of the marionette drama. Little scenery is used and much is left to the imagination, helped by the dialogue and the incidental music of drums, cymbals, flutes, gongs and clappers.

A few leaves held in bamboo sticks represent a forest, while one stick in the middle of the stage shows the boundary between two kingdoms. Winds, storms, and the noise of the sea are represented by the music.

At its best, the play shows all the beauty and elegance of Burmese court manners and customs, and it is for its historical interest as well as for its cultural value that efforts are being made to preserve it in its best and traditional form.—

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1954

APPEAL COURT SURPRISE: MAN ASKED FOR HEAVIER SENTENCE

There was a departure from the usual run of appeals against sentences today when an appellant asked for an increase in his sentence before Mr Justice C. W. Reece in the Appeal Court.

The reason for this came to light when Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, informed the Court that prisoners who received terms of more than one year were entitled to learn a trade in prison, and he thought this was why the man sought a heavier sentence.

Appellant, Kwong Ping, who had been given nine months' hard labour in Kowloon Court for stealing an electric fan from a shop in Nathan Road, con-

came before me again—and I am only speaking for myself—I will step up rather than cut down your sentences. Tell that to all the boys."

"Wrong Plea"

What was described by Crown Counsel as extraordinary but true was the case of Ip Man, alias Man Chui, who wrongly pleaded guilty to an offence which was committed while he was already in custody, and was sentenced for it.

He added that since he had been in prison so long he felt himself useless to society, so he begged the Court to send him to gaol for a longer term. Furthermore he said he had no family here.

Mr Blair-Kerr said appellant had five previous convictions, and was also a deportee. Appellant would be deported again when he completed his sentence.

His Lordship pointed out to appellant that he had been deported from the Colony and asked why he had returned.

Appellant replied that each time he had been deported he had merely been taken to Futai-mun (in the New Territories) and left there. He said he had never been put into China. If he had been sent to China he would have stayed, even if he had to beg.

Mr Justice Reece: "This time when you finish your nine months, try to get into China and don't come back. It is a pure waste of time to accede to your application. Your appeal is refused."

Grave Warning

Chan Chi-fung, sentenced to six months and six strokes of the heavy cane for larceny of a watch from a woman boarding along Boundary Street, appealed against his sentence on the grounds of severity.

He said he had a wife and family of four children, but when he came out of gaol the last time, he could not find them. Moreover, he had been offered a job in November, and asked the Court to reduce his sentence by one month so he could take up this employment. The offer of a job was made to him prior to his present offence, he claimed.

Mr Justice Reece: "You had this offer of a job in August and right away you go and commit this offence. How do you expect anyone to believe your story? Do you and others like you who come to Court on appeal genuinely believe the Court would believe such a story and you would thus get a reduction in sentence? Go back and tell your fellow prisoners not to waste the time of the Court with such frivolous tales. If any of you

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Japan, U.S.A. & Canada, 8 a.m.
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

By Air
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Philippines, 2 p.m.
Japan, 2 p.m.
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South America, 3 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Malaya, 6 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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Philippines, 2 p.m.
Japan, 2 p.m.
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Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
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Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great
Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Formosa, 2 p.m.
By Surface

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Philippines, 2 p.m.
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FIVE MEN GET 10 YEARS' HARD LABOUR

Five men, described as having "very bad records" by the Crown, were given 10 years' hard labour when they pleaded guilty to robbery with aggravation before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The accused were Leung Tsat-alus Leung Tsing, Yan Sul-cheong, Kwan Sui-man alias Ma Chi, Kwong Wing-nin alias Sel Ngau, and Wu Cho-wo alias Wu Kin-sum alias Cheuk Tsin-wu.

With the exception of the last-named, who had been certified as medically unfit, the accused were in addition ordered to receive six strokes of the cane each.

Another man, Kong Lik-ning, alias Kong Pul-lam—named as the first accused in the indictment—pleaded guilty to being an accessory after the fact to the robbery and to receiving stolen property.

He was sentenced to a total of seven years.

The robbery charge alleged that five of the accused on May 11, together robbed Lo Ka-ying, a woman, of \$100, a quantity of jewellery, an Omega wrist watch, a marriage certificate, a birth certificate and an identity card.

RECEIVED WATCH

The second charge alleged that the first accused on the same day, received an Omega wrist watch, knowing it to be stolen property.

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, told the Court that the five robbers committed the offence at 407 Fa Yip Road, first floor on the morning of May 11. One of them was armed with a knife.

They tied and gagged the complainant and her maid, then ransacked the house.

All were subsequently arrested and admitted their guilt.

Mr. Blair-Kerr said the five men went to the first accused's house immediately after the robbery, and there started the loot in his presence. He allowed them to stay in his house for some time afterwards. The Omega watch was given to him from the loot.

The total value of the things stolen, he went on, was \$3,500. The value of various articles recovered from pawnshops was \$1,600.

VERY BAD RECORDS

Turning to the records of the accused, Mr. Blair-Kerr said they had "very bad records", involving larcenies, breaches of deportation orders, memberships in unlawful societies, and sojourning with intent.

The third accused, Yan Sul-cheong, had 12 previous convictions since 1945—the longest record among the prisoners.

Mr. Blair-Kerr declared that His Lordship might well feel that the public should be protected from people of this sort.

All six accused agreed to be sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment.

The trial, which began on Aug. 11, was adjourned to Sept. 10.

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